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Hon. J. M. Gudger, Jr.
 The Democratic convention of the Tenth Congressional district held at Asheville on Tuesday, the 12th, nominated Hon. James M. Gudger, jr. of Buncombe. We think that the convention in the selection of Mr. Gudger acquitted itself with credit, for it is the general impression that Mr. Gudger is the best campaigner of the five congressional aspirants, added to that Mr. Gudger has seen service as a member of congress and is an exceptionally able man. It is of vital importance that the district be redeemed from the hands of the Republican party and we think that Mr. Gudger is eminently qualified to do that and also make a most becoming record for himself and doing much for his district in the halls of congress.

The convention forthwith recognized that Mr. Gudger was the logical standard bearer and to defeat him meant a defeat of the will of the people of this district. No matter how able and brilliant his opponents were it was remarkably in evidence that the people saw redemption of the district only in Mr. Gudger. It has been said that Mr. Grant is an accidental congressman, however we don't doubt much on such terms of relief, for if indeed there was ever victory brought about by dint of perseverance it was Mr. Grant's election. The fact cannot be disputed that Mr. Grant is an excellent and a most worthy campaigner. Those who deal largely in the thought that Mr. Grant happened to fall into office by accident and not by perseverance have materially deluded themselves and endangered democratic party success, for without a harmonious organization and a consequent pulling together this same accident is liable to recur.

Thinking that the success of Mr. Grant lies in an accident would tend largely to minimize the effort on the part of the democrats for naturally they would not expect the accident to again happen.

There is a great big battle to be fought by the democracy of the Tenth Congressional district and it behooves the democrats to stand in ranks unterrified and presenting a front in real battle array, and not depending upon Mr. Grant's accidental election to win its fight.

There is no situation in the entire state like that of the Tenth. The fight by democracy to redeem the district must be conducted after methods peculiar to both situation and district. We think that Mr. Gudger, because of his conduct of a winning campaign formerly and his ability to meet the peculiar exigencies of occasion, will land the 10th in the democratic column, but only after a hard fought battle.

At a camp meeting in Georgia long since the negro brethren discussing the merits of T. Roosevelt did themselves proud, after a long discussion as to Roosevelt's traits and qualities, one brother with grey hair and a beard and a stick gave vent to the following: "Brothers and sisters, his protruding teeth ah could bite a water mill and cut a rail fence."

Pressure is being brought to bear on Mr. G. C. Conley to make race for sheriff this fall. In parts of the county the question is asked, "Will Conley make race?" It seems to be the general opinion that he is the man democrats should nominate. We do not know whether or not Conley will permit his name to be before the convention but it is to say his friends will insist upon him again making the race.

It has lately developed that all battleships manufactured at Charlotte Navy yard were submarine. That's why nobody ever...

Deadlocks.

There have been quite a few objections interposed by some of the leading papers of the State concerning the prolixiousness and undesirable features of the present convention system. Those writers contend that the convention as to its present plan of organization leads to disorder and disintegration, and as a consequence elimination of those candidates who stand no opportunity of nomination are permitted to hang everlastingly on and are not eliminated on the second ballot as should be the case.

To an extent those employing such argument are right, but only right in that the organization feature sometimes causes a lengthy and heated discussion.

The convention history of the State this year, with the exception of the State convention at Charlotte which offered no cause for lengthy proceedings, has been that of long and drawn out fights, which fights we contend are indicative of democratic healthfulness and strength. Such battles tend to the independence of democracy, showing that there is no slated and preconceived conditions to be complied with; that in the ranks there are neither steam roller politics nor the much despised feature of bossism.

The democratic conventions are only heated and intentional in comparison with those of the republicans, and when we appreciate the fact that the republicans have but little timber, and too, always follow closely the advice of their slate and bosses we then see that theirs is a system of merely empty form and they have no reason for a real battle.

By employing a plan whereby expedition will be substituted for open fight and candidates early withdraw that some one may immediately be nominated will foster the supremacy of foregone conclusion and would tend to sap the convention of its free and open democracy.

Deadlocks are not to be considered a detriment to party welfare and when they cease we shall unconsciously drift into that catalog of conventions which typifies bossism and steam roller politics.

Two Conclusions.

There were two distinct conclusions arrived at by the convention at Charlotte last week, indicating the will of the people. First, the people over the state generally object to the monopolizing of offices by one section of the state as is instanced by the case of Judge Graham against Hon. W. T. Lee. Second, that the people are strongly against those possessing appointive power paying political debts by office appointment and consequent emoluments. The appointment of Judge Manning and consequent defeat by Judge Allen is typical of the latter instance.

It is true that Judge Allen, because of his unusual ability and record as a Superior Court judge, together with the opportunities of a wide contact with the people by virtue of the Circuit judgeship, stood a fair show for nomination as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina. However, Judge Manning's opportunities of election were far more to be desired, for indeed having had an opportunity to show his judicial temperament as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and having made good; his decisions and opinions being clear, concise and comprehensive, and on every hand showed marked qualifications for the place, thus having acquitted himself usually the result would have been re-nomination by the people. But the people in a review of the situation seeing that Gov. Kitchin had appointed his campaign manager to this high office and feeling that it was a payment of political indebtedness saw fit to forestall the perpetuation of such political procedure. Such was the course of Judge Manning's defeat.

On the other hand the people saw fit to heartily interpose a telling objection to the monopolizing of offices by the one section to the detriment of the other section and state at large. In a sure and telling manner, because of such a possibility of monopoly the convention readily nominated W. T. Lee of Waynesville for Corporation Commissioner over Judge Graham of Granville county who, had he been elected, would have been one...

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In Honor of James M. Neal.

Resolutions adopted by Mystic Tis Lodge, No. 897, A. F. & A. M.
 WHEREAS, It hath pleased Almighty God, the supreme Architect of the universe, to remove from our midst James M. Neal and call him from labor to refreshment on Earth to labor in the Temple above not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Therefore: Resolved, That by the death of brother Neal we lose a patriotic citizen, a christian gentleman and an exemplary Mason. With him the last link which bound us to our charter members is severed; since the date of the charter—December 15, 1885—he has been true to his allegiance and never forgot his obligation to the fraternity.

The Marianna Hotel.
 All hail to the man who, from motives of unselfish interest in the welfare of his town, invests of his means or his time. In this spirit should be noticed, in the outspoken appreciation of the community, some of the men of Marion who believing that it would not be a profitable investment to themselves, but of the greatest good to their town, capitalized, (in many cases from small savings) and built the new hotel. Such men and such spirit, coupled with the tireless energy of John Gray, made the handsome "Marianna" a possibility, and then at last a reality for Marion. To say nothing of the pride that every wide awake citizen of the town feels in this beautiful structure, nothing so favorably advertises the town, and impresses the strangers who come among us as this hotel—modern and up-to-date in all respects as the best of hotels, even in small cities.

This disposition to place the public good before the greed of private gain is one which in these days it is indeed refreshing to observe and to find in our midst, and one which if, or when, followed by the citizens of a community transforms the village of yesterday into the city of tomorrow. This spirit ought not to be discouraged by that of a few selfish ones in every place who seem to live only to fatten themselves. Fortunately Marion has but few such.

The friends of Mr. R. L. C. Gibson are insisting on him to make the race for Register of Deeds on the democratic ticket. Up to this time no one has announced as a candidate for this office.

Mr. Giles Not a Candidate.
 MR. EDITOR:
 Please allow me space in your paper to thank my many friends throughout McDowell county for their assurance of support and urgent request that I be a candidate to represent McDowell County in the Legislature. I am not a candidate, and cannot permit my name to be used in this connection. My duties and responsibilities in connection with the schools are such as to demand all my time, and I shall, with the support of my friends, continue to strive to make the schools in McDowell County better. Again thanking my friends most heartily, I am
 Yours very truly,
 D. F. GILES.

Nebo High School.
 Nebo High School will open on Monday, August 15th, with the following teachers: Prof. G. H. Weaver, Principal. Assistant principal is yet to be chosen. Mrs. G. H. Weaver will have the fifth, sixth and seventh grades, Miss Mattie Hicks the third and fourth grades and Miss Nannie McCall the first and second grades. The music teacher is yet to be selected.

Mrs. Masters, of Marion, has been secured to have charge of the dormitory and it is believed that this arrangement will be most satisfactory. Nebo High School is fortunate in securing her for this position. The prospect is good for a prosperous year.

Editor Patton a Benedict.
 Editor Jo. C. Patton of the Charlotte News was married on the 14th instant to one of Charlotte's charming daughters, Miss Louise Wadsworth. The announcement cards read as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Algernon Beverly Reese announce the marriage of their sister Louise Wadsworth to
 Mr. Joseph Collis Patton on Thursday, the fourteenth of July one thousand nine hundred and ten Charlotte, North Carolina

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Nealsville News.

Nealsville, July 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Will McCall and children of Marion, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Wilson.
 Mrs. Bettie Neal and Mrs. Anthony's baby are not improving.
 Mrs. Pyatt of Rocky Pass is visiting her son, Cliff Pyatt, whose baby has been sick but is better.
 Avery Byrd left Sunday for Old Fort where he has accepted a position.
 Prof. Hinshaw was in Marion Saturday on business.
 Floyd Morris spent Sunday in Nebo with friends.
 Will Robison's three youngest children of Cliffside are visiting their grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. Mauburn.
 Miss Kate Green of Marion spent Saturday night with Misses Brackett.
 Ben Rayburn of Morganton spent a few hours last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rayburn.
 Mrs. Will Burgin returned to her home at Old Fort after spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Byrd.
 Miss Thelma Hicks of Marion is visiting relative this week.
 A. P. Potat went to Shelby yesterday on business.
 School started Monday, July 11th, with a good attendance with Prof. Hinshaw principal and Mrs. Hinshaw assistant. We are all looking forward for a good school this year.
 Miss Eva Keeter of Marion is staying with her aunt, Mrs. A. L. Bright, who is very ill.
 Master Neal Morris of Marion is spending a few weeks with relatives here.

Robert Holland of Marion spent Sunday with friends.
 The ice cream supper went off very nicely Friday night but owing to the bad weather there were not as many visitors as was expected. After all the expenses there were \$11.00 left for the Baptist church.
 PAULINE.

A Correction.
 Sunnyvale, July 12.—We would like to correct the statement made in last week's issue under the head "Fought Over Groundhog" The statement must have been one without any "basis." There did occur a quarrel in a family near here which led up to an unpleasant confusion in the community, but truth of the matter is this: A number of young men brought whiskey into the community and did not spare in treating all who desired to drink. So it can clearly be seen it was not a groundhog altogether but something else.
 Some of the family had been to Sunday school and belonged to a family who had seen these liberal young men and on return of these some trouble arose. But for the statement that a groundhog is every word an untrue statement. There was no using knives, chairs, and coffee-pots in the affair. Neither was there two families connected in the trouble. And if there is any "telling effect" left it is beyond what we know.
 The trouble was the whiskey, which was brought into the community by unlaw-abiding parties, and it is said they not only treated the older members of the family, but also little boys, not more than eight or nine years old.
 Now, if such as this must be exposed to the public, let us have the truth, and not some man's "make-up." Of course this statement was furnished the editor, as "a lur" on the community, and we accept it as so. This error could not have been made unintentionally, for any one who knows any thing about it at all knows better than what was published. This certainly is not giving the community justice therefore we ask for a correction.
 While there are many things which occur in our community which should not be, we ask Mr. Groundhog to bring up one which has no "black-sheep."
 We have a school, which is doing good work, Sunday school and preaching twice a month, and so don't pass judgment on the whole community because Mr. Groundhog has seen fit to blow off steam studying for some time over this affair and having something published which is a fallacy.
 Mr. Groundhog you must have seen your shadow, so go in your hole and spend forty days.
 Yours,
 SLYVSTER.

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J. D. Blanton

Garden City News.

Special to MARION PROGRESS.
 Garden City, Monday, July 18.—After several days' visit to her mother, Mrs. W. H. Hennessy, Miss Eddie Young has returned to her home at Bridge-water.
 H. S. Brown, of Ashford, made a short visit to his mother, Mrs. D. A. Brown, the later part of the past week.
 Miss Pearl Patterson and John McCormick, both of Clear Creek, were united in marriage on the 18th, D. A. Snipes officiating. All good wishes are extended to this happy couple.
 Miss Cora Lon Butt left the 18th for a few days visit to relatives at Greensboro and Bridgewater.
 The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. S. Glenn has been right sick for some time.
 Our school, which opened the 11th, is progressing nicely with N. F. Steppe, of Hendersonville, principal and Miss Effie Gibson, of Crooked Creek, assistant.
 Mrs. Kate Gowan has returned after an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Gorman, at Salisbury.
 BEX.
 See Reid's Clearance Sale adv. on another page. Sale commences Friday.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR TREASURER.
 I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of McDowell county, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention. I am crippled and probably for life, and I am not able to perform manual labor. I promise if nominated and elected to give all of my time to the duties of the office, and will serve all the people with the best of my ability.
 M. G. POTRAT.

FOR TREASURER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of McDowell County subject to the action of the Democratic convention and if nominated and elected will try to serve the people to the best of my ability and conduct the office in a safe business manner.
 J. D. LEDBETTER.

For Treasurer.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of McDowell County, subject to the action of the Democratic County Convention.
 T. Y. LITTLE.
 Old Fort, July 5, 1910.

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